



Standards Revision Process Critical Fact Sheet September 2017

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Overview/Background:

Senate Bill 1 (2017) calls for the Kentucky Department of Education to implement a process for reviewing all academic standards and aligned assessments beginning in the 2017-18 school year. The bill calls for one or two content areas to be reviewed each year and every six years thereafter on a rotating basis. The rotation schedule began during the summer of 2017 by soliciting feedback on English language arts, mathematics, and health/physical education standards.

Critical Points:

Advisory Panels

Advisory panels for each content area will review the standards and make recommendations for changes to a Standards and Assessment Review Development Committee. Elementary, middle, and high school level advisory panels must each consist of at least six public school educators who teach in the area of the standards being reviewed along with a content area representative from an institution of higher education in Kentucky.

Standards and Assessments Review and Development Committees

The Standards and Assessment Review and Development Committee for each content area will review findings and make recommendations to revise or replace existing standards and adjust assessments to ensure alignment with the standards. A minimum of six public school educators, who teach in the academic content area being reviewed, and two representatives from higher education, as well as other community shareholders comprise each Review & Development committee.

The KDE will release applications and desired criteria for those seeking to be involved with the revision process in each area. Criteria for selection will include experience teaching in the particular area, experience with standards development, special education teaching or collaborative experience, other evidence of content area expertise, and achieving statewide (regional) representation.

Standards and Assessments Process Review Committee

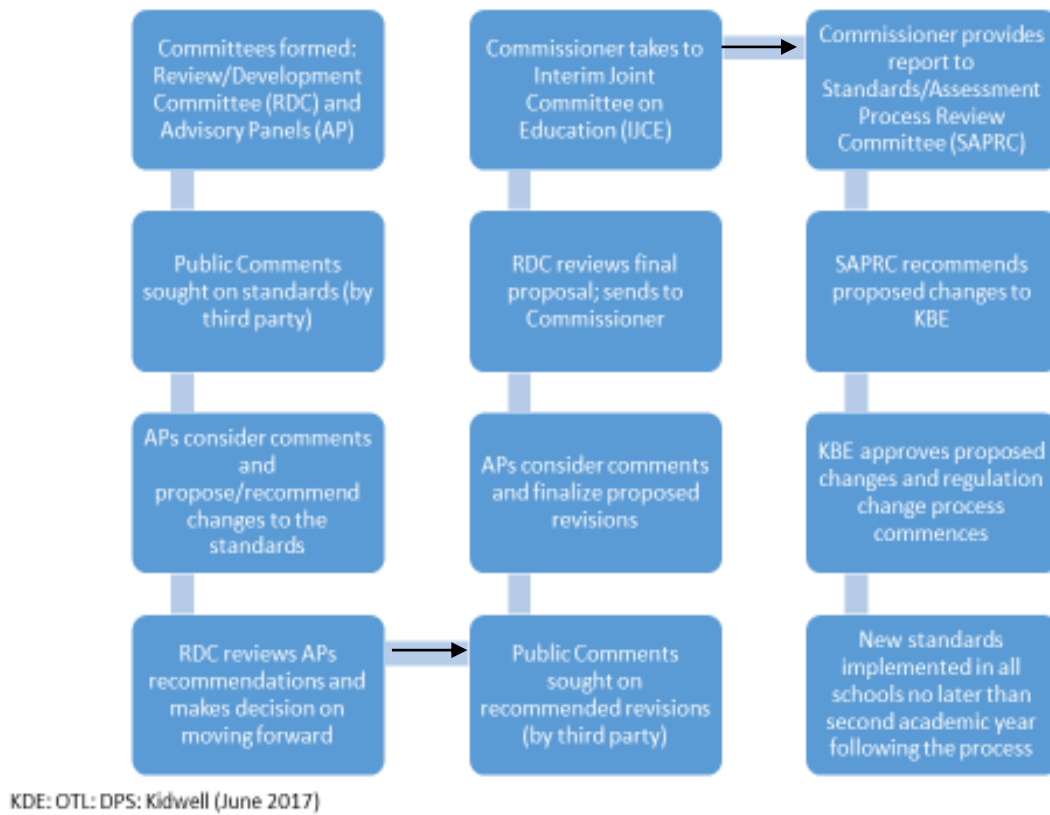
The Standards and Assessments Process Review Committee, which is made up of three legislative members, one KBE member, one SCAAC member, and one EPSB member each appointed by the Governor, three members appointed by the President of the Senate, and three appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, in addition to the Commissioner of Education, will review the *process* to ensure that shareholders have had adequate opportunity for input. If the process is found sufficient, the recommendations (without amendment) go to the Kentucky Board of Education for consideration. If the process is found deficient, the recommendations may be returned to the appropriate standards and assessment review and development committee for additional work.

Once the Kentucky Board of Education approves the revised standards and they clear the traditional regulatory review process, which provides yet another opportunity for public input, the revised standards are to be implemented in all Kentucky public schools no later than the second academic year following the process. Existing standards will stay in place until new standards are approved.

Quality Criteria for Standards (from SB 1 2017)

Standards revision should be approached with the following in mind: include critical knowledge, skills, and capacities needed in global economy; be fewer but more in-depth; articulate expectations clearly and concisely to teachers, students, parents, citizens; supported by evidence/research; reflective of international benchmarks; and aligned K-12 and into post-secondary.

Standards (and Assessments) Review Process – to occur every 6 years



Standards Review/Revision Cycle:

**note: assessment revisions will lag behind the standards revisions at least one year.*

2017: English language arts; mathematics; health education; physical education; computer science
 2018: Social Studies; world languages; library/media
 2020: Science
 2021: Arts

Future Dates:

2023: ELA Revision
 2024: Mathematics Revision
 2025: Physical Education, Health, Career Studies Revision
 2026: Social Studies Revision/ World Languages Revision
 2027: Science Revision
 2028: Arts Revision

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